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This paper is filed in response to an Office Action dated June 16, 2003, setting forth a restriction requirement in the above-referenced application. A response is due on July 16, 2003. As such, this paper is timely filed and no fees are believed to be due. However, should any fees be deemed necessary in connection with the filing of this response, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to deduct any such fees from Marshall, Gerstein and Borun account number 13-2855.